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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency website. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the [Department of Health home page](http://www.doh.wa.gov) (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Benton County

In March 2012 the Surgical Technologist Program ended the probation order against **Daniel Roy Corliss** (ST60200738).

In March 2012 the Board of Osteopathic Medicine charged osteopath **Adam T. Smith** (OP00002222) with unprofessional conduct. The care he provided allegedly fell below the standard by failing to diagnose and treat a patient's gestational diabetes early in her pregnancy, failing to perform routine urine tests during the patient's pregnancy, and failing to advise his partner of how to care for the patient when he wasn't able to care for his patient.

Clallam County

In March 2012 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Laurie N. Parr** (NC10082472) with unprofessional conduct for failing to comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

In March 2012 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified and registered nursing assistant **Katelyn Mary Williams** (NC60189305, NA60141880) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly failed to show for her shift at work, and tested positive for amphetamine and methamphetamine during a urinalysis.

Clark County

In March 2012 the Dental Commission charged dentist **Barry J. Suta** (DE00004264) with unprofessional conduct. He was convicted of assault — domestic violence and assault.

Douglas County

In March 2012 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Karen E. Flinchbaugh** (NA00158363) with unprofessional conduct for failing to comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

Grays Harbor County

In March 2012 the Board of Pharmacy ended the probation order against pharmacist **Ronald J. Cahill** (PH00010293).

Island County

In March 2012 the Nursing Commission charged licensed practical nurse **Dawn A. Tibbett** (LP00049741) with unprofessional conduct for failing to comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

In March 2012 the Medical Commission charged physician **Bradford S. Weeks** (MD00030856) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly offered to consumers via the Internet the use of human growth hormone in oral spray form as an anti-aging remedy. He also prescribed the hormone to patients. His care allegedly fell below the standard and created an unreasonable risk for harm by using this treatment on patients.

King County

In March 2012 the Board of Pharmacy charged pharmacy assistant **Barbara S. Gray** (VB60003049) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly attempted to divert controlled substances from her place of employment.

In March 2012 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Alex Harris** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. He allegedly represented and advertised himself as a licensed massage therapist, and doesn't hold a license to practice massage in Washington.

In March 2012 the Medical Commission charged physician **Jerry N. Mixon** (MD00023643) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly treated patients with human growth hormone inappropriately and created an unreasonable risk of harm to patients.

In March 2012 the Marriage and Family Therapist, and Mental Health Counselor Programs charged licensed marriage and family therapist, and licensed mental health counselor **Tamara L. Sampson** (LF00002462, LH00011142) with unprofessional conduct for failing to comply with terms and conditions set against her licenses.

Kitsap County

In March 2012 the Medical Commission charged physician **Janet Vondran** (MD00033182) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly treated patients with human growth hormone inappropriately and created an unreasonable risk of harm to patients.

Lewis County

After a hearing in March 2012, the Massage Program denied the application of massage therapist applicant **Coral Lea Hunter** (MA60229627). She was convicted of 10 counts of forgery, theft, and driving under the influence.

In March 2012 the Veterinary Board of Governors charged veterinarian **Jenifer Preston** (VT00006391) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly diverted potassium bromide for a family member and directed the family member to take the medicine she provided. She also directed the family member to stop taking medications prescribed by the family member's primary care physician.

Mason County

In February 2012 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program denied the application of chemical dependency professional applicant **Thomas Andrew Olson** (CO60220650). He's unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety.

Pierce County

In March 2012 the Board of Pharmacy released pharmacist **Amy L. Pond** (PH00020019) and **Victoria Pharmacy Inc, Mega Pharmacy** (CF00002783) from terms and conditions set against their licenses.

In March 2012 the Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Systems, and Nursing Assistant Programs charged paramedic and registered nursing assistant **Neale R. Porter** (ES01167098, NA00172269) with unprofessional conduct for failing to comply with terms and conditions set against his credentials.

In March 2012 the Health Care Assistant Program granted the application of **Charles Andrew Siler** (HC60267352) and placed his license on probation. His credentials to practice as an emergency medical technician and a registered nursing assistant were placed on probation.

Spokane County

In March 2012 the Chiropractic Commission charged chiropractor **Kevin L. Bond** (CH00001649) with unprofessional conduct for failing to comply with terms and conditions set against his license. An audit done by the department also found a number of deficiencies in his patient records.

Thurston County

In March 2012 the Nursing Commission charged licensed practical nurse **Voula Spatharis** (LP00049514) with unprofessional conduct. She was convicted of identity theft and theft.

Walla Walla County

In March 2012 the Licensed Social Worker Program charged licensed social worker **Laurie L. Heikkinen** (LW00008520) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly entered into personal relationships with two clients, accepted gifts from the patients, was named a personal representative in a patient's will, and entered into a payment scheme with a patient.

Whatcom County

In March 2012 the Medical Commission charged physician **Andrew D. Pauli** (MD00024846) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly treated patients with human growth hormone inappropriately and created an unreasonable risk of harm to patients.

Out of State

Idaho: In March 2012 the Nursing Commission granted the application of licensed practical nurse **Bryan Joseph Offer** (LP60219009) and placed conditions against his license. He was convicted of driving under the influence, and destruction, alteration, or concealment of evidence.

Oregon: In March 2012 the Veterinary Board of Governors released veterinarian **Thomas Kenneth Carl Welch III** (VT60227707) from terms and conditions set against his license.

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

The [Department of Health website](http://www.doh.wa.gov) (www.doh.wa.gov) is your source for *a healthy dose of information*. Also, [find us on Facebook](#) and [follow us on Twitter](#).

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